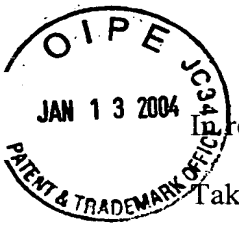


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Sir:

In response to the April 29, 2003 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two (2) of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page three (3) of this paper. Claims 1, 3-13, 16-18 and 21-22 are pending, with claims 1, 12 and 16 being the only independent claims.

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